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TITLE OF INVENTION: INTERPOSING LIBRARY FOR PAGE SIZE DEPENDENCY CHECKING

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 10/791,023	Applicant(s) TUCKER, ANDREW G.
	Examiner Qing Chen	Art Unit 2191

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTO-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed on January 18, 2008.

2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,8,10,11,13 and 20, renumbered as 1-6.

3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All b) Some* c) None of the:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.

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* Certified copies not received: ____.

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Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

5. Notice of Informal Patent Application

2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment

4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material

8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. Other ____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office action is in response to the amendment filed on January 18, 2008.
2. **Claims 1, 8, 10, 11, 13, and 20** are pending.
3. **Claims 1, 8, 13, and 20** have been amended.
4. **Claims 2-7, 9, 12, and 14-19** have been cancelled.
5. **Claims 1, 8, 10, 11, 13, and 20** are allowed, renumbered as 1-6.

Examiner's Amendment

6. An Examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Aly Dossa (Reg. No. L0031) on May 6, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 6, 9, 12, and 18 and amend Claims 1, 8, 13, and 20 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a call comprising:

setting a non-native page size in an interposing library, wherein the interposing library is located in a user-level of a system and wherein the interposing library is located between a user-level application and a kernel, wherein the interposing library is generated by:

searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces include the native page size; and

modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces, wherein modifying the plurality of interfaces uses the non-native page size;

intercepting the call into the kernel by the interposing library, wherein the call is issued by the user-level application, wherein the call is dependent on the non-native page size and wherein the kernel uses a native page size;

modifying the call by the interposing library using a modified interface to obtain a modified call, wherein the modified call is dependent on the native page size, wherein the modified interface is one of the plurality of modified interfaces;

sending the modified call to the kernel;

generating a response to the modified call by the kernel using the native page size, wherein the response is dependent on the native page size;

sending the response to the user-level application;

intercepting the response by the interposing library;

modifying the response to obtain a modified response, wherein the modified response is dependent on the non-native page size; and

sending the modified response to the user-level application.

6. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A system for checking page size dependency comprising:

a processor;

a kernel, located in a kernel-level of the system and executed on the processor, using a native page size;

a user-level application located in a user-level of the system; and

an interposing library located in the user-level configured to set a non-native page size to emulate and emulate the non-native page size to the user-level application, wherein the interposing library emulates the non-native page size by modifying results from the kernel based on the non-native page size, wherein the results from the kernel are based on the native page size, wherein the interposing library is further configured to modify a call dependent on the non-native page size from the user-level application to a call dependent on the native page size for the kernel, wherein the interposing library comprises a plurality of modified interfaces for emulating the non-native page size, wherein the plurality of modified interfaces are generated by searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces are dependent on the native page size and modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces.

9. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) A computer system for checking page size dependency, comprising:

a processor;

a memory;

a storage device;

a computer display; and

software instructions stored in the memory for enabling the computer system under control of the processor, to:

set a non-native page size in an interposing library, wherein the interposing library is located in a user-level of a system and wherein the interposing library is located between a user-level application and a kernel, wherein the interposing library is generated by:

searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces are dependent on the native page size; and

modifying the plurality of interfaces that are dependent on the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces, wherein modifying the plurality of interfaces uses the non-native page size;

intercept the call into the kernel by the interposing library, wherein the call is issued by the user-level application, wherein the call is dependent on the non-native page size and wherein the kernel uses a native page size;

modify the call by the interposing library using a modified interface to obtain a modified call, wherein the modified call is dependent on the native page size, wherein the modified interface is one of the plurality of modified interfaces;

send the modified call to the kernel;

generate a response to the modified call by the kernel using the native page size, wherein the response is dependent on the native page size;

send the response to the user-level application;

intercept the response by the interposing library;

modify the response to obtain a modified response, wherein the modified response is dependent on the non-native page size; and

send the modified response to the user-level application.

18. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A network system having a plurality of nodes, comprising:

a processor;

a kernel, located in a kernel-level of the network system and executed on the processor, using a native page size;

a user-level application located in a user-level of the network system; and

an interposing library located in the user-level configured to set a non-native page size to emulate and emulate the non-native page size to the user-level application, wherein the interposing library emulates the non-native page size by modifying results from the kernel based

on the non-native page size, wherein the results from the kernel are based on the native page size, wherein the interposing library is further configured to modify a call dependent on the non-native page size from the user-level application to a call dependent on the native page size for the kernel, wherein the interposing library comprises a plurality of modified interfaces for emulating the non-native page size, wherein the plurality of modified interfaces are generated by searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces are dependent on the native page size and modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces,

wherein the kernel executes on any node of the plurality of nodes,

wherein the user-level application executes on any node of the plurality of nodes,

wherein the interposing library executes on any node of the plurality of nodes.

-- END OF AMENDMENT --

Reasons for Allowance

7. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The cited prior art taken alone or in combination fail to teach, in combination with the other claimed limitations, "wherein the interposing library is generated by: searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces include the native page size; and modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces, wherein modifying the plurality of interfaces uses the non-native page size, wherein the modified interface is one of the plurality of modified interfaces; intercepting the call

into the kernel by the interposing library, wherein the call is issued by the user-level application, wherein the call is dependent on the non-native page size and wherein the kernel uses a native page size; and modifying the call by the interposing library using a modified interface to obtain a modified call, wherein the modified call is dependent on the native page size” as recited in independent Claims 1 and 13; and further fail to teach, in combination with the other claimed limitations, “an interposing library located in the user-level configured to set a non-native page size to emulate and emulate the non-native page size to the user-level application, wherein the interposing library emulates the non-native page size by modifying results from the kernel based on the non-native page size, wherein the results from the kernel are based on the native page size, wherein the interposing library is further configured to modify a call dependent on the non-native page size from the user-level application to a call dependent on the native page size for the kernel, wherein the interposing library comprises a plurality of modified interfaces for emulating the non-native page size, wherein the plurality of modified interfaces are generated by searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces are dependent on the native page size and modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces” as recited in independent Claims 8 and 20.

The closest cited prior art, the combination of US 6,430,670 (hereinafter “Bryg”) and US 5,815,686 (hereinafter “Earl”), teaches an apparatus and method for efficiently translating virtual addresses utilizing either single address space or multiple address space models in a virtual memory management system. However, the combination of Bryg and Earl fails to teach “wherein the interposing library is generated by: searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces include the native page size; and modifying the plurality of

interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces, wherein modifying the plurality of interfaces uses the non-native page size, wherein the modified interface is one of the plurality of modified interfaces; intercepting the call into the kernel by the interposing library, wherein the call is issued by the user-level application, wherein the call is dependent on the non-native page size and wherein the kernel uses a native page size; and modifying the call by the interposing library using a modified interface to obtain a modified call, wherein the modified call is dependent on the native page size” as recited in independent Claims 1 and 13; and further fails to teach “an interposing library located in the user-level configured to set a non-native page size to emulate and emulate the non-native page size to the user-level application, wherein the interposing library emulates the non-native page size by modifying results from the kernel based on the non-native page size, wherein the results from the kernel are based on the native page size, wherein the interposing library is further configured to modify a call dependent on the non-native page size from the user-level application to a call dependent on the native page size for the kernel, wherein the interposing library comprises a plurality of modified interfaces for emulating the non-native page size, wherein the plurality of modified interfaces are generated by searching a plurality of interfaces to determine which of the plurality of interfaces are dependent on the native page size and modifying the plurality of interfaces that include the native page size to obtain a plurality of modified interfaces” as recited in independent Claims 8 and 20.

Any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

8. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to Applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Qing Chen whose telephone number is 571-270-1071. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The Examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Wei Zhen, can be reached on 571-272-3708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the TC 2100 Group receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-2100.

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May 7, 2008

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Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2191